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1. Between 31 August and 4 September 1953, the Mudra Kaserne in Riesa was occupied to capacity. Soldiers observed wore red-bordered black epauletts with tank and motor transport insignia and, a few, blue epauletts.

troops were daily shipped to the Zeithain training area on about 15 trucks.

They returned at about 6 p.m. Motor vehicles were seen entering and leaving the installation.

2. On 1 and 2 September, about 180 to 200 troops wearing red-bordered black epauletts and about 45 to 50 troops equipped with 160-mm mortars practiced river crossing near Strehla on three motorboats under fire support of three AA guns mounted on trucks. Motor vehicle was seen with the AA guns and with the mortars. On 2 September, 16 to 20 T-34 tanks gave additional fire support.

Armulance arrived from the direction of Riesa. On 3 September, about 20 to 25 trucks towing 76.2-mm AT guns entered Camp Zeithain, coming from the direction of Groeditz.

After about 2 hours, they were followed by about 12 armored personnel carriers mounting twin-barreled machine guns; and about 50 to 60 JS tanks.

On 4 September, about 40 to 50 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epauletts with motor transport insignia received instruction on carbines and machine guns in a wood patch near Merzdorf. The training was supervised by an officer, who wore tank insignia. On 4 September, about 20 tank trucks, including picked up gasoline and oil for Camp Zeithain, at Grocha-harbor.

3. Between 20 August and 4 September, the von-der-Goltz Kaserne on Rudolf Freitscheidstrasse was occupied by about 80 troops wearing red-bordered black epauletts, including some with tank insignia. Truck was seen entering the installation.

4. On 1 September, the Mudra Kaserne was occupied by about 900 troops wearing

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- 25X1C 5. Prior to 31 August, the town komendatura on Josef Haydn Strasse was occupied as previously. Two officers and 11 EN wearing red-bordered red epaulets were observed. Seden []
- 25X1C [] was in the garage. The hospital on Hohe Strasse was also
- 25X1A occupied as previously
- [] 6. On 11 September, the von-der-Goltz Kaserne was occupied by about 100 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. [] did not observe any training activity. The Madra Kaserne was occupied by about 300 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and, a few, blue-bordered black epaulets. Ten trucks [] were seen at driving school practice.
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- 25X1C 1. [] Comment. Information in this report, []
- 25X1C [] confirm the 9th Tank Div in Riess and the Zeif-
- 25X1C hain training area adjoining to the east until 11 September.
- 25X1C The varying occupation figures result from the fact that
- 25X1C elements of this division were continually rotated to the training area.
- 25X1A 2. [] Comment. [] the engineer exercises near Strehla northwest of Riess were also held by elements of the 9th Tank Div.

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